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Calendar of Events

JUNE	
4-6	ANNUAL DEFENDER *Scorpion's Hollow***
11-20	LILIES WAR *Kingdom of Calontir*
18-20	WARLORDS, DEFENDERS & RANGERS OH MY! *Dragonsspine*
JULY	
1-5	GLORY VIII *Unser Hafen***
10	STAGS CON *St. Golias***
15-18	LONELY MOUNTAIN DEFENDER *Drygestan***
23-25	CLANN WARS *Nahrun Kabirun* **
AUGUST	
6-8	BARONS WAR *Dragonsspine* **
6-22	PENSIC WAR XXXIII *Kingdom of AEthelmearc*
SEPTEMBER	
3-6	SILVER PASS IX *Rio de las Animas***
11-12	OUTLANDS CROWN TOURNEY *(TBA)***

*** Indicates attendance by Their Excellencies*

From the Baron and Baroness

Greetings to the populace,

First we would like to thank Sir Trevor and The Honorable Lady Fermina for all their hard work and effort for al-Barran these last four years! Also, to everyone that participated in the polling process, thank you for your support of this mighty Barony, and a special thank you to all of the candidates for your love of our home and willingness to support it and us.

We hope everyone had a Grand Outlandish! Kudos to the autocrats, Duke Artan and Duchess Aziza, and all of their coordinators for putting on an excellent event with fun for all. To everyone that volunteered to haul, setup, man the gate, secure, waterbear, marshal, list, chirurgeon, organize, courier, tear down, cleanup, and do all the other Outlandish tasks that must happen for the rest of us to have the fun we did ... Huzzah! Congratulations to all the winners of the weekend activities. We can only begin to express Our gratitude to all those households and individuals that donated such amazing largess, your generosity and effort are truly overwhelming. It was Our pleasure to have Their Royal Majesties, Noble Cousins, and visitors that traveled from far and wide at Our first event and We hope to see much more of You all during the rest of Our tenure. What a way to begin as Baron and Baroness, thank you all!

Please join Us in welcoming THLord Pendar as Scorpion Pursuivant, Mistress Monika von Zell as the Baronial Scribe, and Duchess Elisheva as coordinator of the Newcomers House. If you are interested in helping these, or any of the other al-Barran officers please let them know. Also, a big welcome to Our forming Baronial Household;

- Chatelaine: Baroness Emma of Essex
- Ladies in Waiting: Lady Isabella al-Harith, Lady Brighid Óg inghean Neill, and Heather
- Guardsmen: Lord Thomas Winterborne of Ghent and Brendan
- Condotierri: Lady Bronwen Blackwell, Lord Roberto Tomas de lez Gitanos AKA Tomas, Lady Elisabeau du Calais, and Lord J.T. Whorescum.

Please let Us know if you would like to help.

We would also like to thank those that helped Us prepare for the investiture; Duke Artan for the ceremony, Baroness Emma for the processional, and all those that helped gather stuff together Duchess Kathryn, Master James David, Lady Brighid, everyone that walked something in for us, and all of you that helped Us pack up after the event.

If you are interested in Autocrating Baronial Champions or Midwinter please have bids (ideas, cost estimates, deputies and core coordinators, etc) to Us or Our Seneschal, Master James David, by the Citizens Meeting on June 15th. We are also seeking interested parties to join Our:

- Regalia Committee: to track, maintain, and create Baronial regalia,
- Site Search Committee: to explore new sites for events, especially Grand Outlandish and Midwinter,
- al-Barran Estrella Coordinator: to organize all things al-Barranian at Estrella: food, space, transportation, etc.

Please contact Us if you would like to help with any of these, or other, activities.

Is there an issue, topic, or idea that you or your household would like to discuss with Us? Please do not hesitate to contact Us at the park, an event, by phone or email.

We hope to see many of Our populace during Our travels this summer. If you are planning on attending any of the following know that you are welcome to camp with Us:

- 4 - 6 JUN 2004: Annual Defender (Scorpion's Hollow)
- 1 - 5 JUL 2004: Glory VIII (Unser Hafen)
- 10 JUL 2004: Stags Con (St Golias)
- 15 - 19 JUL 2004: Lonely Mountain (Drygestan)
- 23 - 25 JUL 2004: Clann Wars (Nahrun Kabirun)
- 6 - 8 AUG 2004: Barons War (Dragonsspine)
- 3 - 6 SEP 2004: Silver Pass IX (Rio de las Animas)
- 11 - 12 SEP 2004: Outlands Crown Tourney (TBA)

We find Ourselves rulers of a strong and prosperous Barony, Our warriors are known far and wide for their prowess and honor, Our artisans produce great works and share their tremendous knowledge with any that wish to learn, and Our populace have risen to every challenge placed before them. We would like to challenge you all once more, please write (letter or email) us with your award recommendations. It is one of Our greatest joys to see Our populace recognized for all their efforts. Thank you all for your support of mighty al-Barran!

Ryan *Tana*

From the Arts & Sciences Minister

Greetings to all,

The Art's at Grand Outlandish were exciting and diverse, thank you to all the teachers and to THL Skia for organizing the classes.

I am still waiting to hear from people if they want to have a Summer art's program at fighter practice park. Several people are checking their schedules; if you are interested in teaching, please contact me so we can get a list for everyone.

Coming up in Arts:
Regular activities:
-Gammer Gurton's Needle Mondays 239-3196 for location and subject
-Singing with Lord Tancred 268-4994 for day, time and location
-Armor workshops with Master Tore Thursday 6:00-9:00 281-5694
-Weaving Knowledge and Exchange with Lady Monika the Fair; 3rd Friday of the month 323-5569
-Court Dancing and Scorpions Scales Sundays during fighter practice
-Westside Project Schedule
no new schedule
-Sewing Circle with THL Asha 764-8131
no new schedule

Events:
—Lilies War
Anyone interested in Arts at Lilies War, the contact information is here Arts and Sciences Coordinator: Mikhail Nikolaevich Kramolnikov (Michael Straatmann) 2921 Apple St., Lincoln, NE 68503; phone 402-474-1442; email mstraatm@unlnotes.unl.edu
—Estes Park Wool Market Demo
On June 12th in Caer Galen / Unser Hafen contact Savina 303-682-0825.
—Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium
In The Kingdom of the East KWHSS is being held on June 25-27.
—Known World A&S Symposium
In the Kingdom of Trimaris KWASS is being held on June 25-27.

That is all that seems to be going on in June.

THL A'isha

Quotes & proverbs in this issue from:
Lineage of Barons and Baronesses by Mistress Cailte Caitchairn
Assorted poems from *the Celtic Book of Days*, by Caitlin Matthews, Destiny Books, ISBN 0892815655
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Web Sites
Al-Barran's website: http://www.al-barran.org Outlands' website: http://www.outlands.org
Blaiddwyn's website: http://www.unm.edu/~sca/index.html SCA's website: http://www.sca.org

From the Knight Marshal

Greetings,

May 2, 2004 I hosted a tournament to honor the celebration of May. I thought it might be fun to mix the May-pole dance with heavy weapons fighting. The end result was both fun to watch and (I have been told) fun to fight in. I hung 3 ropes off of the lowest branch of a large tree, giving me 6 hand holds. Each fighter had to grasp the rope, if they let go, or there off hand was struck with sufficient force they were dead. This tourney was fought by 22 fighters. In order to move on to the next round ,2 fighters had to have 2 wins. The next round was 2 fighters had to have 3 wins and the final round was to 4 wins. I commend all the fighters however, Lord Dreyfuss was the victor.

Our numbers for May have been 1-5 chivalry and 8-26 unbelted fighters. Single combat has been the activity of choice once again.

Grand Outlandish
Friday May 28 2004 His Grace Tomuki (sp?) won the Lord of Outlandish Tourney. ALL HAIL THE LORD OF OUTLANDISH!!!
On Saturday May 29, THL Connor Graham won the German dagger tourney. Good job Connor. The melee's that followed were a hoot to run, especially the single sword bridge battle. I ran this as a 15 min. res.-battle. The guys all loved it. We finished the day off with some Orc-ball.
Sunday May 30, was the day that we had the Minator Maze battle. This was fought for 3 hours. There were treasure chests and monsters, a Stag you had to convince to be on your team and five man teams, and lets not forget the wolf-pack. Dare I say, fun was had by all!! After the maze battle came the citadel speed tourney. This was won by Elijah Tynker, Congrats. By the way to my Knowledge there were no major injuries. WOOHOO!

Badai Altai

From the Webminister

Greetings,

I just wanted to let people know how many times the al-Barran website has been accessed in April. The home page was accessed 3,801 times, total overall access for all pages was 41,470 times and the total visits were 6,182 times. The Sworded Affaire page was accessed 103 times and the Candidates Page was accessed 351 times, Rösselsprung's page was accessed 216 times, and may Day Celebration was accessed 132 times.

Remember the website now has much more room for photos of the A&S pieces you have made, photos of events, songs, poems, please contact me about contributing. My contact information is listed on the website or in the chronicler section on the officer's page in the Baronial Shaft.

Lady Melody

al-Barran May Day Celebration Thank You!

A very special thank you to "Our Cast of 100+" who created and supported the activities and entertainment of our al-Barran May Day Celebration! It was a dream of several years, that mushroomed into far more than I ever imagined! First, a very, very special thank you to the al-Barran Court Dancers and dance friends--Lord Canus Dragonblood, Lady Melody Shaw, Lord Y Port Lairge, Thalauriana, Lyneya del Filde, Violetta Bellafiore, Ivanna 13, Marra 11, Haniya bat Baruch, and to Lady Bianca Mantegna, Josh, & Taren who supported this event in many different ways, including baking and decorating cookies, creating game boards, judging the dance competition, making flower bouquets & wreaths, hauling, fetching, setup and tear down of four large pavilions and to Thalauriana for all the sewing she did of game prize bags and maypole streamers and her donation of baking ingredients! A very special thank you also to Haniya bat Baruch who donated many goodies for our honored guests and to Lady Ahzlinn who brought tables, a large pavilion, heating elements and cooked the wonderful barbecue for the barbecue sandwiches, baked cookies, and donated and secured donations of some of the food items. Thanks also to Ahzlinn's cooks and helpers--Brigantia, Ohna, Nikka, and Lady Gabrielle.

I was very touched by all the young waterbearers who worked very hard waterbearing for all our fighters and for the populace. Thank you so very, very much--Joshua 4, Ashley 6, Victor 6, Winter 8, Mouse 9, Amanda 9, Willow 10, Illene, Mabel McEwen, Kari, Eileen, and Kimberly Blackwood who coordinated this awesome waterbearing effort and gift! A special thank you to Roberto Tomas de lez Gitanos, who kindly delivered tables and list field equipment to the event and then took them back to the Keep. A very special thank you also to Baron Sabastian, who donated, delivered, and setup two large personal pavilions for shade for the populace, and who donated fabric for the period game prizes and maypole streamers. We also really appreciate Lady Danica Nemanjaviaea, who listed for the tournaments and Lord Badai Altai and Lord Michael McQuillan, who sponsored and put on the Heavy and Light Weapon Tournaments. Thanks also to our Heralds throughout the day—THL Cristobal, Haniya bat Baruch, and our newest herald, Taren. Thanks also to those of you who participated in our two tournaments and gave us much enjoyment with your fighting skills.

A very special thank you also to our many, many Entertainers! My only regret is that we ran out of time to see them perform twice that day! Thank you so very much to our Middle Eastern Music and Dance Ensemble, "Sadaqah", of Mistress Rhianwen, Sir Marcus Arabis, & Lady Elia Stefansdottir of al-Barran and their dancer Verani Kha of Drygestan. Thank you so very much Violetta Belafiore for your beautiful Bharata Natyam dances from India. A very special thank you also to Lady Bronwen Blackwell who wrote, directed and narrated the Rapier Community's delightful and funny play, "Off-White and the Seven Cadets." A special thanks also to her large cast--Don Govanen Blackwell, Don Rudger Emery, Don Otteaux the Blackhearted, Dona Elisabeau, THL Aisha, THL Cristobal, Lord Michael McQuillan of Blackthorne, Lord Gilbert, Lady Isabella al-Harith, Lord AEthelwulf, Lady Tessa, and Willow, age 10. Thanks also to our middle eastern drummers, Adam & Kari.

We also had some very special and inspiring teachers. I was very touched by the telling of our history and the showing of items from our al-Barran and Outlands history by Baron Alexander Eriksson Trevor, and two of our former al-Barran Barons, Viscount Stefan the Wanderer (2nd & 4th Baron) and Sir Raymond the Quiet (Baron al-Barran--our first Baron of al-Barran). Thank you gentlemen so very, very much for sharing your memories, your wisdom, your historical items and your knowledge with us. That was truly a memorable hour. A very special thank you also to Master Gunwaldt, who was a former king of our kingdom, including when we were a part of Atenveldt, who talked with us about "Antares Kano" ("the Heart of the Scorpion"), our al-Barran bell and about it's history, why it was made, the artisans who had a part in it's amazing craftsmanship, and the purpose of the bell. (If you have never seen the bell up close, take a close look at it, for it is an amazing work of art!) Thanks Baron Trevor for bringing the bell for us to enjoy that day. While these amazing historical class was going on, Lyneya del Filde, our Blaiddwyn Hospitaller, was teaching a very large class of newcomers about the SCA, al-Barran, and Blaiddwyn. Thank you so very much Lyneya. We ended our classes with another large class, learning and singing bardic and period songs lead by Lord Tancred. Thank you so very much Lord Tancred.

We also had a "Household Dance Competition" and a very special thank you to our judges, Duchess Madigan, Baroness Fermina Caballo, Lord Canus Dragonblood, Lady Melody Shaw and Lady Barbara for judging this competition. A special thank you also to all of our competitors in this competition--Master Adam Stedefast, Lady Gwenyth Sastre, Lady Isabella al-Harith, Don Rudger Emery, Taren, Willow age 10, and from Blaiddwyn--Violetta Bellafiore, Lyneya del Filde, Odile, Melchior, Rachel, and Luke. Your dancing was lovely and such a pleasure to behold. Our children were not neglected at all, thanks to the generosity of Lord Christopher Blackwood and his wonderful household, GoldenOak, who brought a large tent & set it up, and then had non-stop entertainment and activities for the children all day, including a period magic show by Lord Christopher. A special thank you to Lord Christopher and to his wonderful volunteers, who gave so much joy and held lots of fun activities for the children--Kimberly Blackwood, Christopher, Quinn, Kari, Sarah, PJ, Holly, and Richard. A special thank you also to all of our Merchants--Duchess Kathryn, Sir Stefan the Wanderer, Lady Ahzlinn, Lady Roma, Lady Melody, Lady Bianca, Thalauriana, Aurora the Gypsy, Enan Bede, and Siobohan Pyrate. Thanks also to The Albino Gekko Coffee House and Gaming Parlour for providing two lovely prizes of goodies and a place for period gaming.

And finally a very, very special thank you to my advisors and supporters, Master Adam Stedefast, Viscount Stefan the Wanderer, Baron Sabastain, and Master Balthazar, and also to Baron Trevor, Baroness Fermina, Master James David, and THL Stjerne who allowed us to put on this amazing event. Thank you all, "Our Cast of 100+" for a truly memorable and fun day! Huzzah!!

Yours in service to the dream,

Lady Barbara

Regular Activities

CITIZENS MEETING

Held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month, 6:30 pm at our NEW LOCATION: The Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center at 501 Elizabeth St SE, Albuquerque, NM. Map and driving directions are on page 23. *Contact: Master James David 830-6904.*

Fighter Practice

Sundays, 11 am to 4 pm, at Bataan Park; Bataan Park is on the north side of Lomas just west of the Lomas & Carlisle intersection. *Contact: Lord Badai 242-6735*

Rapier Practice

Sunday afternoons, at Bataan Park; Bataan Park is on the north side of Lomas just west of the Lomas & Carlisle intersection. *Contact: Don Coinneach 343-8362*

Westside Fighter Practice

Held every other Saturday morning starting at 9:30 am over the summer at Paradise Hills Park near the Northeast corner by the skate park. *Directions to the Park:* Take Paseo Del Norte west to Golf Course Road. Go Right on Golf Course to Paradise. Turn Left (West) on Paradise. Take Paradise past Lyon/ Unser to the park (It's on the right hand side of the road). *Contact: Lord Vlad 344-0094.*

Archery Practice

Held on every Saturday of each month. Practice starts at 10 am, please be sure to arrive early so we can get the paperwork filled out and practice started on time. The practice range is at Master Tore's & Dona Sylvia's home in the Tijeras area. *Contact: Oengus of Greymist for directions and additional information by email at archery@al-barran.org*

Al-Barran Equestrian Practice

Practices are held starting at 11:00 am on the first and third Saturdays of each month. *Please contact the Equestrian Marshal; Lady Dubheasa at 730-3999 or email equestrian@al-barran.org for directions to the site and any other information.*

Blaiddwyn Fighter Practice

Held on Wednesdays starting at 6:00 pm. Fighter practice is now held in front of Carlisle Gym. Directions: Go west from Redondo Rd and Yale and turn right into the first parking lot, traverse the length of the parking lot and to the right: go up between Northup hall and Carlisle Gym. Fighter practice will be on the left. Please note: According to the UNM Parking website they will be enforcing parking regulations until 8 pm.

If you aspire to adulthood, be peaceful
in the household of the powerful,
Be tough in difficult situations...
Do not be curt to common people...
Do not abandon your king while you are
in this bright world.

The advice of the war-leader Fionn Mac Cumhail to a riotous young man.

I am a wind on the sea,

I am a wave of the ocean,

I am the roar of the sea,

I am an ox of seven exiles,

I am a hawk on a cliff,

I am a tear of the sun,

I am a turning in a maze,

I am a boar in valour,

I am salmon in a pool,

I am a lake on a plain,

I am a dispensing power,

I am a power of skillful gift,

I am a grass-blade in the earth,

subject to decay,

I am a creative weaving god

Who counsels the head.

Who else clears the stones of a mountain?

Who is it who declaims the sun's rising?

Who is better to tell where the sun sets?

Who brings cattle from the house of Tethra?

Upon whom do the cattle of Tethra smile?

Who is the ox?

Who is the weaving god who

mends the thatch of wounds?

The incantation of a spear —

The incantation of the wind!

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Sunday	Monday	
		Prc
6 -Fighter & Rapier Practice -Court Dancing	7 Gammer Gurton's Needle	Prc
13 -Fighter & Rapier Practice	14 Gammer Gurton's Needle	
20 -Fighter & Rapier Practice	21 Gammer Gurton's Needle	Pr
27 -Fighter & Rapier Practice -Court Dancing	28 Gammer Gurton's Needle	Pr

The introduction of Amairgen Gluingel, the poet of the Milesian invaders of Ireland, to the land of Ireland when he first set foot on Irish soil.

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y	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 ddwyn nclave	2	3	4	5 Archery & Equestrian Practices
8 ddwyn nclave	9 Blaiddwyn Fighter Practice	10	11	12
15 IZEN'S ETING	16	17	18 Weaving Knowledge Exchange & Workshop	19 Archery & Equestrian Practices
22 ddwyn nclave	23 Blaiddwyn Fighter Practice	24 -A&S Knowledge Exchange & Wkshp	25	26
29 ddwyn nclave	30			

Regular Activities listings
More information on the regular activities is located on pages 11 &14. Also check the A&S letter on page 7 for some others.

the Gaulish Calendrical Tablet, the Coligny Calendar, the month of June-July was called Equos, or 'horse time', the season when it was possible to ride out freely in good weather and a time for horse-fairs and races.

June Dates

2 Vesak Day (Buddha's Birthday)
3 Full Moon
10 Corpus Cristi
14 Flag Day
17 New Moon
20 Father's Day
21 Midsummer

Regular Activities

Court Dance Practice

Court dance practices are scheduled at fighter practice (Bataan Park, NW corner of Lomas & Carlisle), on Sundays from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. June practices are on 6th and 27th. July practices are tentatively for the 18th and 25th. Everyone, age 7 and up, is welcome to these free court dance practices. For the latest information concerning court dance practices, please contact Lady Barbara at 293-7453 or krege@aps.edu or join the al-Barran musicians and court dance list at **alBarranMusic_Dance@yahoogroups.com**.

"Scorpion Scales"

Founded to provide atmosphere and live accompaniment to court dancing at feasts and events. Come join the al-Barran court dance musicians; instrumentalists interested in playing live music for court dancing, please consider attending. The idea is to have available live court musicians instead of using the CD player at some events. Please visit our website: **http://shiao_mei.home.comcast.net/sscales.html** to download current music to practice. Meetings will be held on Mondays at 7:30 pm, at Lady Bianca's house, and some Sundays at fighter practice. *Please contact: Lady Melody at lockgen1@aol.com for further information.*

Singing Practice

Singing practice time and day is changing, please check with Tancred. *Contact Lord Tancred for directions, etc. at 268-4994 or by e-mail at tancred@mindspring.com*

Gammer Gurton's Needle

The study and application of embroidery, lace, and other needlework techniques. Check out the article for current meeting place and monthly focus on the facing page. *Contact: Lady Rosamond at 865-9082 or ldyrosamond@msn.com OR Delia the Rose of Thorncastle at 232-7946 or HLDelia@aol.com.*

Arts and Sciences Knowledge Exchange and Workshops

Topics to include: felting, lampwork beads, stone carving, soap, leather, conserves, cooking and much more. To meet on the 4th Thursdays of each month at 7 pm at 10417 Palo Verde Place NW. *Contact: Lady Skia 344-0094 for more information, when a workshop is happening and directions.*

Weaving Knowledge Exchange & Workshops

The study & application of all types of weaving & it's history. Third Friday of every month at 7 pm at Lady Monika's house. *Contact: Lady Monika the Fair at 323-5569 for more information and directions.*

Blaiddwyn Project Conclave

Come and join Blaiddwyn College at their project conclave every Tuesday evening to show off your latest projects or to pick up some new ones. Bring a project to work on or to share. *Contact Blaiddwyn's Arts and Science Officer: Lady Emer Fitton 293-1206 or kbutler@salud.unm.edu for days, times and location.*

LINEAGE OF BARONS AND BARONESSES

Now in our fair desert lands
Come the strong and willing hands
Come the hearts that aid and care
Come the souls that wisdom share.
Those that guided al-Barran.

First came Raymond, quiet one
From the kingdom of the sun
Man of service, art and sword
He, the future, looked toward.
Gave he life to al-Barran.

Second then came Stefan strong,
Who had wandered far and long.
He with Beau of wild Rom race,
Strong, she too, with dancer's grace,
Twice did they lead al-Barran.

From the chessboard, cunning, wise
Koris to the throne did rise.
Third among this lineage great
Laying siege to Aten's gate
With his army, al-Barran.

Needham of the golden tongue
Wove word-spells for old and young
Susan, by his side at war,
Artist by the kiln's hot roar
Sparked the fires of al-Barran

Kragon of the silver spear
Soft of voice, to all held dear,
Sarah, curling golden hair,
Deadly sword and beauty fair
Brought they grace to al-Barran.

Trevor, fierce in battle known
Tall upon the scorpion throne
Sweet Fermina, warm of heart,
Wise in the Equestrian art
Last to rule in al-Barran

Hail the giants in our lands!
Grasp their strong and willing hands
Embrace the hearts that aid and care,
Heed the souls that wisdom share.
Those that guided al-Barran.

By Mistress Cailte Caitchairn

Unto the populace of al-Barran,
Please join Us in thanking Mistress Cailte Caitchairn for the wonderful words she wrote about those that have served you as Baron and Baroness of mighty al-Barran!
Ryan and Tana

Children's Courier League Update

The first maiden voyage of the Children's Courier League was a learning experience for all involved. We discovered what worked in the League, and the areas that still need fine tuning, or rearranging all together. Next year we will have a separate pavilion/headquarters for just the league. No sharing of tents, campsites or pavilions with other groups, as it can get a bit hectic for all parties involved and lead to confusion as well. This way there will be a central location to sign up and report for duty, keeping all records in one place.

We even made some money from donations for the token bags that will go to help offset expenses, (batteries for the walkie talkies, refreshments for the children, upkeep on the tabards, etc.). For this we thank all those who donated!

The merchants really came through with donations for the children to redeem their tokens, some even going so far as to attach coupons for lessons on the items they donated. I wish I could name you all by name, but some of you came and went so suddenly that I didn't have time to get the name of the booth from you! I thank you all very much. Please know the children were well pleased and it was very much appreciated.

Our younger group, the 8-12 year olds really put an effort into their mission, taking their duties very seriously. If we can recruit some into the older group as well, we will have the makings of a very impressive League indeed!

In the 8-12 year old group, I would like to thank Puck the Silent, Selena the Mouse, Willow, Laura, Amanda H., Hera, Amanda K., and Amanda Maria for all their hard work and help.

In the 13-16 year olds, I would like to thank Nikka de Shavani, and Ohna for their hard work and help.

I would also like to extend a thank you to Kelson of the House of Wild Oats for creating our beautiful banner for us, and to Baron Sebastian Tailor for donating the tabards for our children. Thanks to Lady Gabrielle for taking up the slack in the older group, acting as courier and helping to keep track of the progress of the younger couriers as well. Shavani Meghan for helping to coordinate the couriers and help with assignments, as well as progress reports on the couriers. We couldn't have done this without all the help and teamwork expressed by these wonderful people!

There will be a fundraising bake sale at Weapons practice to help raise funds for the CCL next Sunday the 13th. Please help to support the league. The items will be sold on a donation basis-donate what you think it is worth. Every little bit will be appreciated!

Lady Roma

Stags Con VIII

"The Premier Service Event of the Outlands"

College of St Golias
July 10, A.S. XXXIX (2004)
The Mineral Science and Engineering Complex (MSEC) and
Jones Annex buildings on the New Mexico Tech campus,
801 Leroy Place, Socorro, NM 87801
Site is open from 8am to 8pm
Event site fee: FREE
Site is dry

We of the College of St. Golias welcome one and all to StagsCon VIII, the Premier Service Event of the Outlands. We invite you to attend this event, where learning about service is the name of the game.

As you arrive breakfast will be waiting. Lunch and a dinner barbecue will also be provided to all attendees, free of charge. After court, at the pleasure of Their Royal Majesties, the day's activities will begin.

Games will be available for adults throughout the day and activities will be provided for the children. During the evening feast, a rousing game of Outlands Jeopardy will be held with prizes for the winners. Come and test your knowledge of the SCA, kingdom law, and history.

The tentative schedule is as follows:

8:00 am	Site Opens
8:00-9:00 am	Breakfast
9:00-9:30 am	Opening Court and Welcoming Comments (in MSEC 101)
9:30 AM-12:00 pm	Meeting and Classes
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 - 5:00 pm	Meeting and Classes
5:00 - 5:30 pm	Closing Court (in MSEC 101)
5:30 - 7:45 pm	Dinner
7:45 - 8:00 pm	Cleanup
8:00 pm	Site closes

Breakfast Menu

Breakfast burrito bar, fresh fruit, assorted fresh pastries and muffins, coffee, tea, juice.

Lunch Menu

Grilled Polish sausages and bratwurst with fixings, various salads, fresh fruit, cookies and cake, tea, Persian mint drink, lemonade.

For more information pertaining to classes and when meetings are planned to be held, please view the web site: **http://www.nmt.edu/~golias/stagscon/**

Directions: From North or South Take I-25 to Socorro, New Mexico, and take exit 150. You will then be on north California street. Proceed south on California to Bullock (the second traffic light on California). Turn right on

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Bullock. Proceed west on Bullock to the second stop sign (intersection of Bullock and Leroy). Continue west approximately 300 feet; on your left you will see a three story building labeled "Mineral Science and Engineering Complex." This is the MSEC building (shown on the Socorro, NM map as a star) where some of the classes will be held.
Other classes will be held in the Jones Annex building. To get to Jones Annex, walk west (that is, towards the mountain with the "M" on it) approximately 200 feet to the next three-story building you see. That is Jones Annex.

Autocrat; **THLord Torcail Gilleghaolain** (Tony Perreault) 1003 Monte Vista, Socorro, NM, 87801 Phone: 505-835-1632; Please leave a message. <tperreau (at) nrao (dot) edu>
Feast Coordinators: **Mistress Monika von Zell** (Pat Knapp), **Mistress Richenza le Wydu** (Caroline Kearns): <richenzalewydu (at) hotmail (dot) com>, **THLady Sabia**
Class Coordinator: **THLord Roland O'Rourke** (Rob Hatcher) 11563 E. Cedar Ave., Aurora, CO 80012 Phone: (303) 341-5765; no calls after 9 p.m., please. <seneschal (at) outlands (dot) org>

Lonely Mountain Defender

Shire of Drygestan
July 15-18, A.S. XXXIX (2004)
Site opens Thursday, July 15th at noon.
Closes at 5 pm Sunday, July 18th.
Graduation Flats, Forest Road 289, Los Alamos, 87544
Site Fee is $10 for adult members
($ 3 non-member surcharge additional)
$5 for children ages 6 to 16. Kids 5 and under are free.
The site is wet.

Greetings all good Gentles and be of fine cheer for the great Lonely Mountain Defender draws nigh! Come enjoy the lovely high mountain meadow and days of frivolity, fighting and fun.

Lonely Mountain is at an elevation of approximately 9500 feet. Be prepared for hot afternoons, occasional rains and cold nights. There is no water on site so be sure to bring plenty. Take note that the back road will close at dusk so come early for the best access to campsites.

The Forest Service will set fire restrictions, if any, at the time of the event. Like last year, please stay updated on Forest Service closures and event news on our web site **www.drygestan.org**. At this time please prepare to use propane lanterns and stoves. The Forest Service has set Camping Restrictions to the meadow side of the road only. See the Troll Gate for details.
No Driving on to the Meadow. The site is wet.

As always, please refrain from cannon fire after midnight.

Directions: Take State Road 502 from 285/84 (at Pojoaque) towards Los Alamos. Take White Rock exit - turn right at first stoplight. Stay straight for many miles through several stoplights on NM4 where the road "T's". Turn right and follow NM4 to Forest Road 289. Turn left and the site is on the right around 4 miles further.

From Albuquerque: Exit I-25 onto Rt. 44 to San Ysidro. Take Route 4 north through Jemez Springs, pass the Caldara (Baca Ranch National Park) and turn right on Forest Road 289. The site is on the right around 4 miles further.

Any questions regarding volunteers, etc. can be directed to the Autocrat: Lord Colin McKenna (Tim Grant) at lordcolinmckenna2003@yahoo.com or (505) 204-1780 or Deputy Autocrat Lady Renee Nix of Livingstone (Renee Nix) at rnix@co.santa-fe.nm.us or (505) 992-3084, 690-0913

Due to current Forest Service restrictions, Lonely Mountain Defender will be unable to host merchants this year.

Grand Outlandish Chess Tourney Thank You

Greetings to the Barony from Dorolan and Natasha. Hosting the chess tournament this Grand Outlandish was a lot of work, but in the end, it was also very fulfilling and rewarding. The turnout was amazing given the wind and dust; 18 players participated. All things considered, it was a big success! We could not have done it alone, so thanks are due to those who helped make it work.

First, thanks to the outgoing Baron and Baroness, Sir Trevor and THL Fermina, and to the new Baron and Baroness, Their Excellencies Ryan and Tana, for a special setting within which to host the tournament. Thanks to Duke Artan, and especially to Duchess Aziza for helping coordinate the tournament schedule and for getting it published in advance. Thanks to Lady Barbara for listing it as a children's event, and for assisting with the format to make it fun and rewarding for young players. Thanks to Lord Tomas for helping build tables and for transporting them to and from the event.

Crimson Company worked together on this tournament, and deserves thanks and praise. Slave Katherine crafted a most excellent banner for the winner of the tourney, and Lord Ivar and the Crone supplied a fine second prize. THLs Teuton and Ashira not only supplied a handcrafted prize for most games played, but also provided a pavilion to play games in. Lord Milo proposed the idea of holding a chess tournament, and also supplied a prize.

To those who helped by marshaling games, thank you, especially Aiofa and Heather. The Zarzula not only helped marshal, especially Roxanna, but they also provided additional space to play games, and we are grateful to them. The Pyrates hosted the championship game, where Lord J.T. supplied a delicious lunch while Lord Raven entertained us all with music, so thanks to all of them.

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We would also like to thank everyone who played in the tournament, which was won by Lord Thomas de Carisbourg of Argent, in an exciting game with Martin le Gitan of the Zarzula (two Frenchmen in the finals!). Moses from Ivarsson came to the event prepared, and won best child player. And finally, we are grateful to Sir Dennis for inspiring a passion for chess in our Barony and Kingdom.

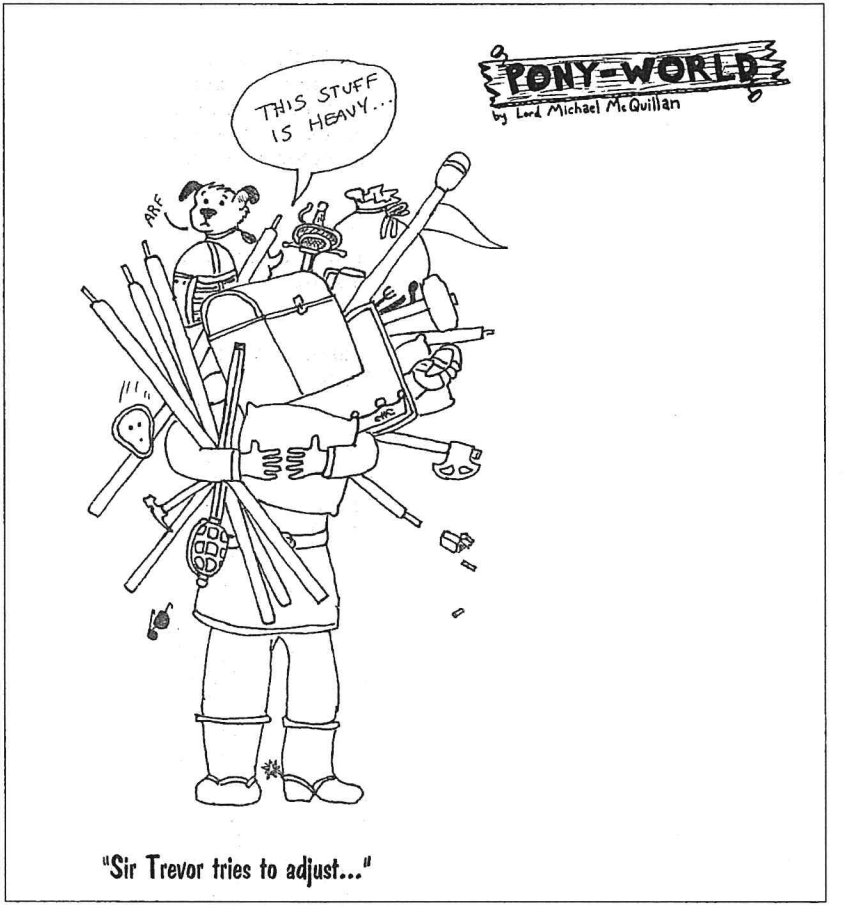
We've included the championship game in descriptive notation. Martin was the front-runner for most of the event, and had even defeated Lord Thomas in an earlier game, but the day would belong to Lord Thomas. Here are the moves:

Lord Thomas de Carisbourg vs. Martin le Gitan
(Queen's Gambit Declined)

White	Black	White	Black
1. P-Q4	P-Q4	24. P-QR4	B-Q3
2. P-QB4	N-KB3	25. P-R5	RxR
3. P-B5	N-B3	26. RxRch	K-R2
4. P-K3	P-K3	27. P-QB4	R-QN1
5. N-KB3	N-K5	28. RxR	KxR
6. Q-B2	P-KR3	29. PxP	PxP
7. N-B3	NxN	30. P-R6	K-R2
8. PxN	B-Q2	31. P-B3	P-QB4
9. B-R3	Q-K2	32. PxP	BxP/4
10. R-QN1	N-R4	33. K-B2	P-Q5
11. N-K5	O-O-O	34. P-K4	B-Q3
12. NxB	QxN	35. P-R4	B-B5
13. B-N4	N-B3	36. P-N3	B-K6ch
14. Q-N3	NxB	37. K-K2	P-B3
15. QxN	Q-B3	38. P-B4	P-N3
16. B-N5	P-QR4	39. P-K5	PxP
17. QxP	P-QN3	40. PxP	P-N4
18. Q-R6ch	Q-N2	41. P-K6	PxP
19. PxP	QxQ	42. P-K7	PxP
20. BxQch	K-N1	43. P-K8=Q	P-N7
21. P-N7	R-Q3	44. Q-QB8	P-N8=Nch
22. B-Q3	R-N3	45. K-B1	1-0
23. O-O	KxP		

Once again, thank you all so much for the opportunity to bring the Game of Kings into our SCA experience!

Respectfully,
Dorolan and Natasha of Crimson



"Sir Trevor tries to adjust..."

Special Courier League Thank You!!!

I would like to extend a special thank you to the folks at the house of Wild Oats for all their support in the past year as well as the special support shown this past Outlandish. These people not only donated over $100 worth of oranges, cheese sticks and water to the children in the Courier League, but on Saturday, Ken Nuanes (Kelson) of the Indian School store and Haik of the San Mateo store showed up at our gate with additional supplies of water, oranges, and cereal bars for our fighters! Please stop by these stores and thank them in person. We need more friends like these! In the past two years, they have hosted a mini renaissance faire/demo, been a local collection point for Toys for Tots for two years running, and have now added their support of our fighters and children to their list! Again, a million thanks to these kind folks!

Lady Roma

Gammer Gurton's Needle

This month's meetings for Gammer Gurton's Needle will be held at Duchess Elisheva's house (Corinne Dowd) Her address is 2823 Belair NE. Take your best route to the intersection of Carlisle and Menaul. Go north on Carlisle and turn east at the light at Claremont. Go several blocks and turn north on Belair. Her house is in back of James David's house. We will be meeting in the renovated garage so go through the gate and the sliding door into the garage. If James David's big dog is out I've been told he is very gentle. Her phone is 872-2711 for any questions. We will be continuing our largesse projects and making plans for the next months' meetings.

Gammer Gurton's Needle is an interest group exploring many different threadwork techniques including but not limited to embroidery, lacis, netting, bobbin or needle lace, beading, needlepoint, inkle loom weaving, cardweaving, etc. Please join us. We meet every Monday evening at 7 pm. (we don't meet in garb). You can work on the month's emphasis or bring your own project.

Contacts: Rosamond de Preston-865-9082 or ladyrosamond@abqsales.com or Delia the Rose of Thorncastle at 232-7946 HLDelia@aol.com. **Website:** http://www.themissingpiece.com/ggn/

"My fair long straight needle, that was mine only treasure. The first day of my sorrow is. And last of my pleasure." From the play, The Loss of Gammer Gurton's Needle, 1575

Court Dancing Article

The Dancers wish to thank you for supporting our al-Barran May Day Celebration and for making it such a memorable day! Thank you all so very, very much! Court dance practices are scheduled at fighter practice park (Bataan Park, on Lomas, NW corner of Carlisle & Lomas) for Sundays, 6/6 and 6/27 and tentatively in July for 7/18 and 7/25 from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. Everyone, age 7 and up, is welcome at these free court dance lessons. For the latest concerning times and locations of dance or music practices, please contact me at krege@aps.edu, 293-7453, or go to www.yahoogroups.com and join the al-Barran music & dance list, alBarranMusic_Dance@yahoogroups.com.

Yours in service to the dream,
Lady Barbara

European Dancing

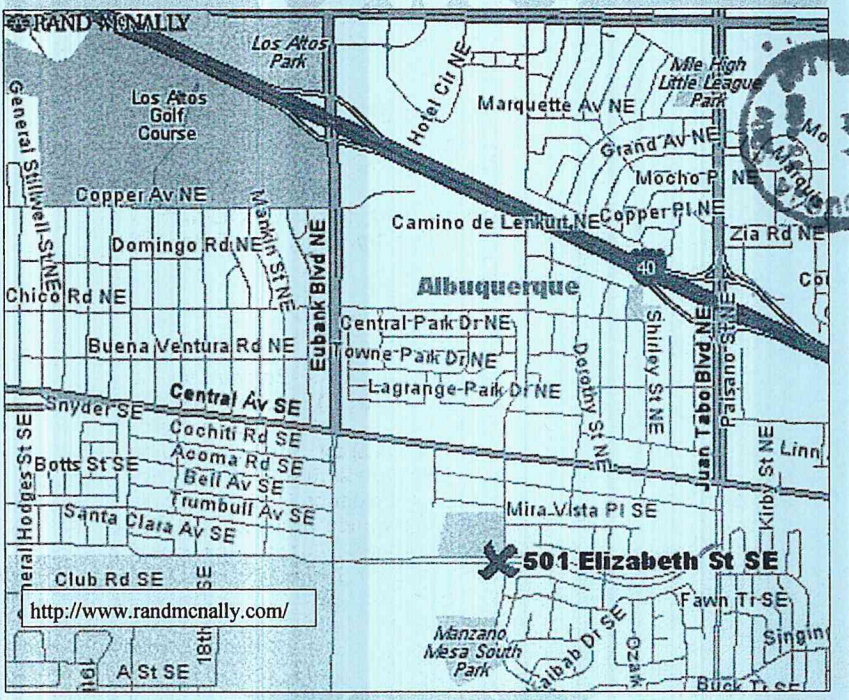
Estrella War 2005 A&S war point

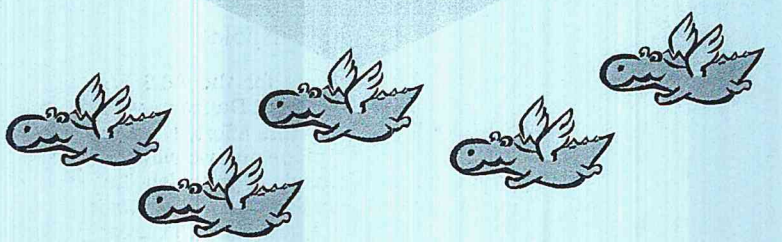
One of the three Arts & Sciences competitions for the A&S War Point at Estrella War 2005 will be European Dance (or Court Dance as we know it.) If you are interested in competing or supporting this effort, I am coordinating the Outlands efforts. We have some exciting plans and we will shortly have a private discussion list to keep everyone informed. If you wish further information or wish to be put on this discussion list when it is created, please contact me as soon as possible, Lady Barbara, al-Barran, at krege@aps.edu, 293-7453. We are hoping to have a court dancing workshop in early July.

Citizen's Meeting

The Citizen's Meeting is moving! The NEW LOCATION is the Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center at 501 Elizabeth St SE, Albuquerque, NM. There will be a Citizen's meeting on May 18th, mostly to discuss Outlandish biz. The citizen's meeting are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month beginning at 6:30 pm. Please contact the Seneschal, Master James David 830-6904, for further information.

Driving Directions:
Take I-40 to the Eubank Blvd exit (No. 165). Turn south onto Eubank Blvd. Continue onto Eubank Blvd past Central Avenue. Turn left onto Southern Avenue. The Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center is at 501 Elizabeth St SE, Albuquerque, NM at the corner of Southern and Elizabeth.





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Good morrow, good yarrow,
Good morrow to thee
Send me this night my true love to see
The clothes that he will wear,
The colour of his hair
And if he will wed me.

Danaher

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